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The Association consists of Fellows, Members, Associates, Affiliated Groups and Federations. The Annual Subscriptions are:—Fellows, 21s.; Members, 10s.; Associates, 2s. 6d.: Life Fellowship, £12 : 12 : 0. Life Membership, £7 : 10 : 0.

Fellows and Members may join the U.E.A. as *Membro-Abonanto* at a reduced additional fee of 10/- (instead of 12/6). i.e., F.B.E.A.-U.E.A. 31/-, M.B.E.A.-U.E.A. £1.

This Official Organ is sent each month to Fellows and Members.

LITERATURO—A quarterly literary magazine in Esperanto. Fellows and Members receive this magazine free. Subscription: 2/- per annum, post free.

INTERNATIONAL LANGUAGE—A monthly magazine in English devoted to the study of the International Language problem. Includes instructional articles on Esperanto and *La Juna Lernanto*, a supplement for beginners. Subscription, 2/6 per annum, post free.

AN OPEN LETTER TO BRITISH ESPERANTISTS.

Dear Friend, *March, 1925.*

Guarantee Fund, 1925. You are probably aware that under present circumstances the income of this Association from sales and subscriptions does not suffice to meet the expenses involved in the keeping up of the office, payment of salaries, publication of *The British Esperantist*, *Literaturo*, *International Language*, and *La Juna Lernanto*, and widespread propaganda work, and that the loss thus incurred on the year's working has therefore to be met by a Guarantee Fund. It is hoped that if you approve of the work of the Association you will aid its continuance by adding your name to the list of Guarantors, *should you not have already done so.* On an insetted sheet is a preliminary list of Guarantors for 1924.

LAST DATE for entering for LONDON CHAMBER of COMMERCE EXAMINATIONS: MARCH 23rd.

Obviously, the burden of keeping the Association on a sound financial basis should not be left to a few generous individuals, but should be the common care of all who have at heart the welfare of the Association and the movement for which it stands.

You will note that the sum of £500 is named as the minimum necessary to make the guarantee operative. It does not, however, follow that the whole of this sum will be actually required. We hope that the progress of the movement, resulting in increased sales and a larger membership, will eventually relieve the Guarantors by reducing the amount of call to be made.

I ask you to respond liberally to this appeal. We should aim at providing a guarantee of £1,000. Obviously, the larger the amount guaranteed, the smaller will be the call on the individual Guarantor.

For your convenience a form is insetted with this issue, which, if your name does not already appear in the list, please fill in with the amount you are willing to guarantee, and return to me. An acknowledgement will appear in *The British Esperantist.*

1924 Deficit. From the Annual Report and Balance Sheet you will observe that the large increase of work accomplished has meant a deficit of £150 to be found before we are clear of 1924. A Guarantee Supplementary Fund has been opened by the Council, and I ask every Member, whether a Guarantor or not, to respond by a donation to this Fund according to his ability, so that we may go ahead unhampered by arrears on last year's working. A form is added for this purpose also.

Membership. May I take this opportunity of reminding you that the real basis of our finances should be the Membership Subscriptions.

Every new member gained reduces the strain on the Guarantors. The present Membership List bears very little proportion to the strength of the movement in Great Britain. Please help in this matter also, by calling the attention of Esperantist friends, who are not Members, to their duty in this respect, and previously making sure that you have paid your own subscription.

A Word of Appreciation. In conclusion, on behalf of the Council and myself, I thank you most sincerely and wholeheartedly for the splendid way in which you have helped us in the past, and assure you that your support is fully appreciated. The Association has indeed accomplished much. We do not, however, forget that what has been achieved has been rendered possible only by the enthusiastic practical help given us by our Members.

MONTAGU C. BUTLER, *Secretary*.

XVI BRITISH CONGRESS, Leamington Spa, 29 May—2 June, 1925.

The Railway Companies will issue vouchers permitting Congress Members to travel to Leamington at single fare and a third for the return journey.

Help the Congress Organisers by sending for your Congress Cards at once. (3/6 till April 30; under 18, 1/6). *Aliĝiloj* from the Hon. Sec., Cecil C. Goldsmith, 31, Stafford Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

LONDON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, Esperanto Examinations: 26 May.

The last day for receiving names is March 23. See details in our last issue. Specimen papers are published in February *International Language*. Address enquiries to the Secretary of the Chamber, 1 Oxford Court, London, E.C.4.

Prizewinners in 1923: Cecil D. A. Capp, London, £1; James A. Smith, London, £2 2 0; *in 1924*: Miss E. B. Ireland, £3 3 0.

KRONIKO FEDERACIA, GRUPA, KAJ KURSA.

South Eastern Federation. The Annual General Meeting took place in London on 27 Feb. Mr. J. J. Boutwood was re-elected President. The Report for 1924 showed 14 groups and an encouraging financial position. The formal business was followed by a very enjoyable meeting and concert, presided over by Mr. J. Merchant.

B.E.A. Dinner. This was held on 28 February, at the Bonnington Hotel, London. Some 100 were present. The dinner was followed by an enjoyable programme, in which several well-known Esperantists took part, concluded by dancing. A few menu cards are still available at 6d. each, post free

Blackpool. A learners' class is held under the local Educational Committee. On 3rd March the Members gave a play in the Beehive Café.

Glasgow. Mr. A. P. Morton reports three classes held for Post Office Officials.

Hull. Classes have been started under the local Educational Committee with good attendance.

Ilford. On 18 Feb. a meeting was held at the Unitarian Hall. 30 attended, and much interest was shown. The Rev. S. T. Pagesmith spoke on Esperanto history. Mr. Jeffery, the instructor, (one of the first Esperantists in Britain), and Mr. S. Nicholl, gave interesting introductory speeches. Two dozen textbooks were sold in two minutes. Meetings will be held every Wednesday evening.

KRONIKO FAKA.

Eklezia Lekcia Societo. Ĉi tiu Societo okazigas Esperantajn kunvenojn en Glasgow. Detalojn ĉe S-ro A. P. Morton, 702 Alexandra Parade.

Pacifismo. La gazeto, *Der Kriegsdienstregner*, Starhemberggg 47, Vieno, eldonas sian Februaran numeron Esperante kaj germane.

Radio. For particulars of Radio Conferences, and of the meetings of the Internacia Radio-Asocio in Paris, April 14-19, with details of arrangements for a party from England. write Mr. H. A. Epton, at the B.E.A. Office.

A *Radio Manual of Esperanto* is in preparation, and will be ready by Easter. Price, 6 pence from the B.E.A. Order now.

The March issue of *International Language* contains 36 pages, with a coloured cover, and important radio articles. An extra number will be printed. Members should do their best to circulate large quantities.

Scienco. Internacia Konferenco pri la uzo de Esperanto en Scienco okazos en Parizo, 14-16 Majo. Oni invitas, ke ĉiu scienca, industria, aŭ teknika societo, firmo, aŭ gazeto, sendu reprezentanton. Detalojn ĉe S-ro F. E. Wadham, 19 Grandison Rd.,London, S.W.11.

GRUPAJ PROGRAMOJ.

Edinburgh. 25 Mar., La venonta Kongreso. 1 Apr., Socia kunveno. 8 Apr., Legado. 15 Apr., Jarkunveno.
Glasgow. 23 Mar., Jarkunveno. 30 Mar., Ekzamenoj.
Liverpool. 20 Mar., Parolado, Prof. Collinson. 27 Mar., Drama Societo. 3 Apr., Festo (21a datreveno).
London Club. 20 Mar., Socia Kunveno: Biletoj 1/6. 27 Mar., Jankunveno.

DIARY OF COMING EVENTS.

Mar. 19. Thur. **Luton** Wireless Society.*
Mar. 20. Fri. Social, **London Club.**
Mar. 23. Mon. Last day for entries: **L. Ch. C. exams.**
Mar. 23. Mon. **Glasgow** Annual Meeting.
Mar. 29. Sun., 9.30 a.m. Baptist Chapel, Anson Rd., **Cricklewood.**
Apr. 6. Mon. **Examinations,** B.E.A. Office.
Apr. 12. Sun. 3.15, **Service in Esperanto** in St. George's Church Hart St., London, W.C.1.
Apr. 14-19. Conference: **Internacia Radio-Asocio,** Paris.
Apr. 15. Wed. **Edinburgh** Annual Meeting.
May 14-16. Conferences: Esperanto in **Science,** Esperanto in **Commerce,** Paris.
May 26. Tues., 7.0. **L. Ch. Commerce Exams.**
May 29-Jun. 2. 16 British Esperanto Congress **Leamington. May 30.** Annual Meeting.
Aug. 2-7. Universal Esperanto Congress, Geneva.

* Propaganda Lecture. Details from B.E.A.

VARIOUS.

Can you help? As a section of the B.E.A. Library, a collection of postcards and photographs has been started. We should welcome portraits of members, photos of groups, of any date, and anything of Esperanto interest. All will be carefully classified and preserved.

"Literaturo." The Lingva Fako in No 25 was contributed by Mr. Bernard Long, whose name was accidentally omitted.

Kataluna Esperantista Federacio. The 12th Congress and the annual Floraj Ludoj will be held 21-24 May, in

Palma de Mallorca, Spain. Details from Narciso Bofill, str. Sindicato 188.

January number of B.E. Many thanks to those who kindly returned copies to the Office. We still need more. Please send us your copy if not wanted.

Bulgaria. Simeon Bardaroff issues an Esperanto prospectus, and wishes to act as agent for all imports and exports, per Esperanto. Address: Str. Neofitt Rilski 30, Sofia.

"Railway Review.' A brilliant course of Esperanto lessons is appearing in *Railway Review*. Arrangements are in hand for a reprint in *Assurance Agents' Chronicle*. Any samideano who could obtain an opening for a similar course in any other Trade Union journal should communicate with the author: Mr. P. J. Cameron, 69 Schubert Rd., Putney, London, S.W.15.

A Hundred Years Hence. "There will of course be an International auxiliary language, understood everywhere, a language artificial in its structure—every literary language is largely artificial—but utilizing those roots which have already become part and parcel of all cultured languages. This will not mean the displacement or loss of native languages which have proved their title to survival by their literature."—Prof. E. E. Fournier d'Albe, D.Sc., in *Quo Vademus*, Kegan Paul, p. 79. He might have stated that such a language had already been adopted by a considerable number of people.

EDZIĜO.

Alker.—James Alker, D.B.E.A., kun Florence Davies, anoj de la grupo St. Helens, la 31an de Jauuaro. Nova adreso: 102 Vincent St., St. Helens.

MORTOJ.

Smith, Thomas, of Stockport, on 28 January. Aged 77. A distinguished beekeeper, botanist, and musician, and one of the earliest British Esperantists.

Squirrell, J., of Tearoha, New Zealand.

The British Esperanto Association (Inc.),

17 Hart Street, London, W.C. 1.

Official Notices.

CANDIDATE FOR FELLOWSHIP.

Harry Hall Daley, *Ashton-under-Lyne*.

CANDIDATES FOR MEMBERSHIP.

Arthur G. Bayliss, 11, Langdon Park Rd., Highgate London, N.6.; Miss Edith R. Callow, 78 Church Rd., Northwood, Middlesex; J. W. Hawe, Hillside, Seaton, Devon; Hsishun Huang, 14 Luk Lung Lane, Lung Mie Doo, Honam, Canton; Gerald A. Moore, 32 Cleveland Square, London, W.2.; Francis R. Pope, 9 Devon St., St. Helens, Lancs.; Miss Stella M. Shaw, 80 Albert Palace Mansions, Battersea Park, S.W.11.; Rev. James G. Williams, The Manse, West Avenue, Gosforth, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

NEW DELEGATE COUNCILLOR.

Belfast: J. L. McGrath.

REMINDER.

Fellows, Members, and Associates, whose subscriptions fell due at the end of December are respectfully asked to renew now. See rates on front page. Members receive *The British Esperantist* and *Literaturo*. Add 2/6 for *International Language*.

EXAMINATIONS

Will be held at the Offices of the Association, 17 Hart Street, London, W.C. 1, as follows:—

Preliminary: Monday, 6th April, 6.30 to 8. *Fee*, 1/6.

Advanced: Monday, 6th April, 6 to 9. *Fee*, 3/-.

Candidates should give notice of intention to attend.

Montagu C. Butler, *Secretary*.

PASSED PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION.

*Eileen D. Tully, *Whangarei, New Zealand*; William I. Hawkes, *Luton*; Alicia Weeks, *London*; James Ferguson, *Belfast*.

PASSED ADVANCED EXAMINATION.

Patrick Lavin, *Blantyre Lanarkshire*; *Mark M. du Merton, *Enfield*.

*Denotes that candidate has passed with distinction.

Wm. Harvey, Hon. Sec.

26th Feb., 1925. Examination Committee.

MONTH BY MONTH.

The article under this head in the January number reported meetings of the Council held on 6th December, 1924, and 10th January, 1925, so far as these meetings dealt with the question of the Universal Congress in 1926.

In the December meeting, Mr. Edmonds gave a very detailed report on *International Language* for 1924. A summary of this will be found in the paragraphs on the magazine contained in the Annual Report, printed elsewhere in this number. The preliminary expenses of floating the magazine and advertising it amounted to £210, and it was unanimously agreed that this amount should be equally apportioned over the first three years of the magazine's working.

Preliminary consideration was given to the celebrations to be made in view of the 21st anniversary of the Association in October, 1925, and it was agreed to ask for ideas from members. These ideas should be sent to me, and will be considered and reported on by the Committee on the Future of the Association appointed by the last Annual Meeting, it being suggested that the celebrations might take the form of assistance to the new scheme put in working on the expiry of the present office lease at the end of the year.

Mr. Butler was appointed Representative to receive communications from the K.R. On a request from the K.R. the Association's vote was cast for the title "Internacia Centra Komitato," as the future title of the Centra Komitato.

A sub-committee consisting of Messrs. Clayton, Long and Robertson was appointed to consider the reply to be given to a request by the K.R. for the Association's opinion as to the future basis of subscription of the national societies to the K.R.

At the January meeting of the Council a report was read from the Examination Committee on two questions referred to it by the Council. The first related to a suggestion that questions on the history of the movement be included, in future, in the Diploma Examination papers. The Committee explained various difficulties, and suggested that the question might be deferred until the International Institute was introduced into Great Britain. After discussion it was decided to thank the Committee for the report, but to suggest that the history might in future form one of the subjects for the essay, or be introduced as an alternative question in some other form.

The second question dealt with was that of the advisability of informing unsuccessful candidates of the various marks gained in the examinations. The Committee reported against this suggestion, and the Council adopted the report.

A further meeting of the Council took place in London on Saturday, 28th February, at the Offices.

Present: The President (Mr. Merchant) in the Chair. Mrs. Clayton, Mrs. Kendrick, Miss Blake, Miss Rook, Miss Taylor. Messrs. Blaise, Boll, Boutwood, Clayton, Edmonds, Fairman, Holmes, Long, Robertson, Shelton, Thomas, Wadham, Yelland, and Colonel Robinson.

In attendance: The Secretary and Business Manager.

A request from the Vienna Congress Committee was

laid before the Council, in which help was asked for to liquidate the deficit on the Congress. Numerous Councillors said that they had sent sums of money to the Committee, but had heard nothing in reply, and expressed dissatisfaction at the position. It was agreed that the matter should lie on the table.

It was intimated that Mr. Long could not continue as Chief Editor of *Literaturo*. The Council received the news with regret, and passed a hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Long for his work during the past year, and of appreciation of his six years' association with the magazine. Mr. Shelton was unanimously appointed Chief Editor in place of Mr. Long for 1925, the question of assistance being left to the Literary Committee.

A letter was read from the Secretary of the Edinburgh Society advising that that Society consented to the B.E.A. issuing to the Centra Komitato an invitation for the International Congress to be held in Edinburgh in 1926, and agreed to undertake the organisation of the Congress, on conditions being arranged with the Centra Komitato satisfactory to the B.E.A. and to the Edinburgh Group. The President outlined the points of difference with the contemplated policy of the Centra Komitato regarding future Universal Congresses, and after discussion resolutions were passed defining the Association's attitude on these. The President was requested to forward an invitation in the name of the Association for the Congress to be held in Edinburgh in 1926, subject to agreement being reached as to the points at issue, between the Centra Komitato on the one hand and the B.E.A. and the Edinburgh Group on the other.

The annual accounts, duly signed by the Auditors, were presented and adopted. The Draft Annual Report was presented and also adopted.

Referring to his resignation, which was still before the Council, Mr. Edmonds said that he had given the matter his utmost consideration, and while he was not prepared to make an entirely unconditional withdrawal he would consent to withdraw the resignation and to continue his work, but must ask the Council to be prepared to take active steps to relieve him of his duties should he find it impossible to regain the enthusiasm and energy he had lost owing to the events of the past few months.

The Ballot List for Officers and Council for 1925-26 was drawn up and the Annual Circular approved.

Messrs. Boll and Wadham were appointed to the Executive Committee, and it was reported that they had agreed to give what assistance they could to the Hon. Secretary in his duties.

A standing Sub-Committee, to be known as the B.E.A. Radio Committee, was appointed to deal with radio matters in relation to the work of the Association. Mr. G. T. Smith was appointed Secretary to the Committee, the remaining members to be Messrs. Boll, Edmonds, Epton and Wadham.

The report of the sub-committee set up to consider the Association's attitude with regard to future basis of subscription to the K.R. was adopted.

A grant of £25 from the general funds was made to the Propaganda Committee, which is badly in need of funds for further work.

CHARLES H. EDMONDS, Hon. Sec.

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ANNUAL CIRCULAR.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Twenty-first Annual General Meeting (Nineteenth since incorporation) of the British Esperanto Association (Incorporated) will be held on Saturday, 30th May, 1925, at 7 p.m. prompt, in URQUHART HALL, LEAMINGTON SPA.

AGENDA.

(a) Receive the Annual Report of the Council.
(b) Receive the Annual Statement of Accounts and Balance Sheet.
(c) Receive the Report of the Secretary as Returning Officer on the result of the ballot for Officers and Ordinary Councillors.
(d) Elect one or more Auditors for the ensuing year.
(e) Receive Report as to Guarantee Fund for the year 1924.
(f) Consider as to place for holding next Annual General Meeting.
(g) Receive the report of the Committee on the future of the Association appointed at the Annual Meeting in 1924.
(h) Consider arrangements for the celebration of the Twenty-first Anniversary of the Association, October, 1925.
(i) Election of Trustee of B.M.M.F.
(j) Consider, and if necessary take action, with reference to any business or motion of which due notice may have been given, or which the majority of those present and entitled to vote may determine to entertain, not being inconsistent with the Memorandum and Articles of Association.

Notice is also hereby given that the first meeting of the new Council will be held at the conclusion of the said General Meeting, at the same place, for the appointment of Sub-Committees and for other routine business.

The General Meeting will be preceded by a meeting of the Guarantors, in the same place, at 6.45 p.m. prompt.

Ballot Lists are enclosed herewith to Fellows and Members. Ballot Lists are also sent to Group Secretaries for distribution amongst their Group Representatives. The latest date for the return of the Ballot Lists is 9th May, 1925.

The following is a list of the present Council:—

Hon. President:
J. M. Warden.

President:
J. Merchant.

Vice-Presidents:
J. J. Boutwood, J.P.
W. E. Clayton, O.B.E.
Prof. W. E. Collinson, M.A., Ph.D.

Hon. Treasurer:
Charles A. Fairman.

Hon. Secretary:
Charles H. Edmonds.

Ordinary Councillors:
Due to retire in 1925—
J. T. Holmes.
Miss E. O'Brien.
A. Sharp, A.M.I.C.E.
E. E. Yelland.

Due to retire in 1926—

J. D. Applebaum.
Rhodes Marriott.
W. M. Page.
F. R. Shelton.

Due to retire in 1927—

Miss J. Baird.
P. Blaise.
B. E. Long, B.A.
Col. Robinson.

Delegate Councillors:

Groups—

Aberdeen ...	... E. H. Lawton.
Accrington ...	... H. E. Roberts.
Ashton ...	... R. Kenworthy.
Barrow-in-Furness	... J. J. Birkett.
Bath	... E. R. Blackett.
Bexhill ...	... Miss F. Knibb.
Birmingham ...	... Miss M. L. Blake.
Bournemouth ...	... P. H. Lewis.
Bradford ...	... Miss M. E. Parker.
Brighton ...	... J. G. Sims.
Bristol ...	... H. Carr.
Burnley ...	... W. B. Currie.
Burntisland ...	... J. Rodger.
Cheltenham ...	... W. M. Appleby.
Croydon ...	... C. A. Fairman.
Deal	... C. E. Cowper.
Doncaster ...	... A. J. Scott-Scott.
Eastbourne ...	... Lt.-Col. Robinson.
Edinburgh ...	... Mrs. Clayton.
Enfield ...	... A. Rose.
Glasgow ...	... G. D. Buchanan.
Glasgow (Patrick)	... Miss A. G. Macfarlane.
Glasgow (St. Rollox)	... A. M. Rice.
Hastings ...	... W. J. Turner.
Huddersfield ...	... J. H. Fitton.
Keighley ...	... Miss J. Longstaffe.
Kettering ...	... A. E. Smith.
Kingston-on-Thames	... F. O. Lechmere-Oertel.
Leeds ...	... H. Shore.
Leicester ...	... N. Wooding.
Leith ...	... G. Dickinson.
Letchworth ...	... Miss E. Young.
Liverpool ..	... J. D. Applebaum.
London (Central)	... Miss M. Rook.
Balham ...	... Miss A. L. Borel.
Charing Cross	... G. N. Farmer.
Dimanĉa Rondo	... F. E. Wadham.
Esperanto Scout Club	A. W. Thompson
South ...	... H. Moy Thomas.
Wood Green	... R. Robertson.
Manchester ...	... I. H. Wright.
St. Helens ...	... C. J. Jones.
Sheffield ...	... G. W. Roome.
Shipley ...	... Miss M. E. Parker.
Tonbridge ...	... Rev. W. J. Downes.
Torquay ...	... W. R. Wood.
Welwyn Garden City	... H. Shackleton.
Whitchurch ...	... Miss H. M. Furber.
York	... W. F. Lawrence.

Federations:—

Lancashire & Cheshire	Miss B. Drinkwater.
Midland ...	... Miss C. O. Taylor.
N. Eastern ...	... F. Sutcliffe.
Scottish ...	... W. Harvey.
S. Eastern ...	... H. Boll.
S. Western ...	... Miss E. Hogg.
Yorkshire ...	... F. C. Rhodes.

Group Representatives:

Ashton ...	... R. R. Kenworthy.
Bradford ...	... J. T. Holmes.
Brighton ...	... Miss E. Dovey.
Bristol ...	... E. K. Darch.
Edinburgh ...	... Miss Robb, Miss Tait, Miss Valentine, W. Harvey, J. P. W. Murray.
Glasgow ...	... Miss Yuille, D. Kennedy, R. G. Liston, G. F. Ramsey.
London:—	
Dimanĉa Rondo	... F. E. Wadham.
South ...	... F. E. Wadham.
Wood Green	... F. R. Shelton.
Manchester ...	... Miss E. Derbyshire.
Newcastle ...	... F. Clegg.
Welwyn Garden City	... H. Shackleton.

BALLOT LIST, 1925-6.

For the Election of Officers and Councillors.

(Copy of the Ballot List sent to Members and Fellows and the Affiliated Groups in accordance with the Memorandum and Articles of Association and Bye-laws).

President:

JOHN MERCHANT.

Vice-Presidents (3):

J. J. BOUTWOOD, J.P.
G. D. BUCHANAN.
Prof. W. E. COLLINSON, M.A., Ph.D.
WM. HARVEY, I.S.O.
Col. G. S. ROBINSON.

Hon. Treasurer:

C. A. FAIRMAN.

Hon. Secretary:

CHARLES H. EDMONDS.

Councillors (4):

H. BOLL.
WM. HARVEY, I.S.O.
J. T. HOLMES.
DAVID KENNEDY.
Miss E. O'BRIEN.
JAMES RODGER.
F. E. WADHAM.

All these nominations were made by the Council.

ANNUAL REPORT.

REPORT of the Council to be presented to the Members at the Twenty-first Annual Meeting, to be held in Urquhart Hall, Leamington Spa, on Saturday, 30th May, 1925, at 7 p.m.

The Council has the honour to present its report upon the working of the Association during the year ended 31st December, 1924.

The Council regrets to record among the

losses sustained during the year those of Dr. Henry Bartlett, Rev. J. A Beard, Mr. A. T. Bott, Dr. C. H. Cameron, Col. W. A. Gale, Mr. E. McGregor, Mr. J. H. Parnum, Mr. A. E. Wackrill, Mr. F. E. Watts, Mr. Aneurin Williams, and Mrs. C. P. Woof. Their valued services to the movement will be remembered by their fellow-workers striving to the same end. Mr. Wackrill was one of the original signatories to the Memorandum of Association, and Col. Gale was a familiar figure in meetings of the Council.

In common with all Esperantists throughout the world the Council mourns the loss at the close of the year of the widow of the Majstro, Madame Clara Zamenhof, whose help and inspiration meant so much to the author of Esperanto.

At the opening of the year, the Council was faced with the necessity of finding a sum of £285 to liquidate the accounts for 1923. It was obvious, moreover, that if the then existing financial basis was carried on for a further year a still larger sum would be necessary at the close. The Council therefore had to wrestle with the twofold problem of raising the sum required to wipe off arrears, and finding some fresh basis which would obviate the recurrence of a similar position at the end of 1924.

In order to consolidate the Movement in Great Britain, the *Brita Literatura kaj Debata Societo* was merged into the Association, and its magazine, *Literaturo*, continued under the auspices of the Association, was given to members in addition to *The British Esperantist*, which was reduced to an official organ only. This arrangement resulted in a saving of £186, although members received as much matter as in the preceding year.

To meet the demands for a lower subscription for those who wish to help the Association, but can do so only in a modest way, a new class of supporter was created under the title of Associate, the subscription of 2/6 per annum carrying with it a copy of the Annual Report. Some Associates have been enrolled, but many more might be.

Arrangements were made to develop the book sales department by the supply of non-Esperanto books, and a fair amount of business has been done in these, with the result that, in spite of the general decrease in Esperanto book prices and consequent smaller profits, the net income from the book sales department increased by £10 over the previous year.

These arrangements opened the way for the greatest departure the Association has made in recent years—the establishment of a real live propaganda magazine, something topical that appeals to those not in touch with the Movement as well as to those already interested. This magazine, under the title *International Language*, made its appearance in January, 1924, and it is not too much to say that it brought new life into the work of the Association, aiding existing channels and opening up fresh ones.

The re-organisation outlined above created considerable confidence in the affairs of the Association. The sum required in respect of 1923 was splendidly subscribed in the space of a few weeks. The Guarantee Fund for 1924 increased to £583 as against £501 in 1923. A higher proportion of members renewed their support than in the preceding few years. In 1922 membership subscription income fell by £60, in 1923 by £52, but in 1924 by £16 only. It is to be hoped that better times financially are ahead, and that many who have had temporarily to suspend their support will be able to renew it.

The loss on *International Language* during 1924 was £31—a remarkably small sum for the first year of such a periodical.

The new system made many more opportunities of useful work available, and advantage was taken of these as far as possible, with, however, a resulting increase in various items of general expenditure.

In the result, in spite of the writing down of certain stocks, increases granted in the salary bill, etc., the year showed an improvement of £46 over 1923, and, owing to the increased guarantee fund, only £150 remains to be found to liquidate the accounts for the year—£135 less than remained to be raised at the end of 1923.

Although this saving has been effected, the amount of work done has increased marvellously, owing to the economies of time following the reorganisation. The saving of £46 on the year and the better cash position at the close of the year are in themselves matters for satisfaction, but when regarded in the light of the fact that the Association has accomplished immeasurably more work than during any previous year whatever, the situation becomes one for congratulation.

Many members have no idea of the work accomplished by the Officers and Staff. The following figures, and those referred to under separate heads below, will give some idea of what is being done.

Items of correspondence received at the Offices, 1924	15145
Items of correspondence despatched from the Offices, 1924 (consisting of about one half letters and parcels and one half circulars) ...	33156
Circulars manifolded in the Offices, 1924	19180
Notices and reports sent to the	

Press from the Offices, 1924 ...	4647
Newspaper and magazine cuttings referring to Esperanto recorded at the Offices, 1924	1023

The various funds of a capital nature have been augmented, the following figures showing the strong Capital position of the Association as compared with any former period in its history:

Capital Fund	£860	3	0
Premises Fund...	165	11	8
Reserve for re-decoration of premises on expiry of lease	30	0	0
Reserve against possible Bad Debts	32	5	7
Capital Value of the Publications Fund	516	6	8

In addition, the Association holds and administers the following Prize Funds:

Ernest Pointer (Memorial Fund)	£15	18	1
John Ellis Prize Fund	40	0	0
Aneurin Williams Prize Fund...	20	0	0
John Pollen Prize Fund ...	25	3	0

The Council is of opinion that the present general basis of the Association is admirably suited to its needs, and that all that is required is to expand the various revenue producing branches of the work to enable the budget to be better balanced. Members of the Association can do much to assist in this. Throughout the year the Council has borne in mind the expiry of the office lease at the end of 1925, and plans have been largely guided by the contingencies that may then arise. The excellent and continued support given by Members, and the very satisfactory Capital position in which the Association now finds itself, lead the Council to look forward with every confidence to the future.

At the Annual General Meeting in June Mr. J. M. Warden was elected Honorary President of the Association. Mr. Warden's great services to the movement are well known to everybody.

Mr. John Merchant was re-elected President of the Association, and the Council desires to take this opportunity of recording its great appreciation of Mr. Merchant's conduct of affairs, sometimes under the most difficult and trying circumstances. It is not too much to say that Mr. Merchant has the confidence of every Councillor without exception. Mr. Merchant has visited over 40 Esperanto gatherings during the year, and has greatly helped in encouraging local workers to further efforts.

Mr. Robert Robertson, who had so ably filled the post of Hon. Treasurer, felt compelled to relinquish his duties at the Annual Meeting, to the regret of the Council. The Association has been fortunate in securing the valuable services of Mr. C. A. Fairman as successor.

Mr. Charles H. Edmonds was re-elected Honorary Secretary at the Annual Meeting.

Annual Meeting.—The Annual Meeting was held in Chester on Saturday, 7th June, during the Fifteenth British Esperanto Congress. The Association owes a debt of gratitude to the organisers of this successful and enjoyable Congress.

Council.—The Council met six times during the year, in London, Chester, and Sheffield.

Executive Committee.—The general administrative work has been carried out by the Executive Committee, which for this purpose held twelve meetings.

Publications Committee.—The work of this Committee continues to show very satisfactory results. During the year the important but costly task of reprinting Cox's *Commentary and Grammar* was undertaken, and a new edition of *The Esperanto Teacher* was produced. A revised edition of *The Standard Course of Esperanto*, and a new work, *Kantaro Esperanta*, have been in active preparation.

From the commencement of operations to the end of 1924—a period of approximately 3½ years, 43,892 copies of works published by the Committee have been sold. The Capital of the Fund, £516 : 6 : 1, as shown in the Balance Sheet, provides good security for investment, and the arrangements now in force by which loans are accepted in multiples of £1 either free of interest or bearing interest up to 5% per annum should provide a good opportunity to those who desire to assist the Association, but do not feel able to do so by way of donation.

Propaganda Committee.—During the year the Committee held 9 meetings: 79 public meetings were addressed, 1748 persons being present. Book sales at these meetings amounted to about £23 : 5 : 0. Several classes have been formed as a direct result of these lectures, and existing groups have been strengthened. 4647 letters were sent to the press and in other directions giving information; with a marked increase in the number of press notices. Stalls were taken at the Women's Freedom League Fair and the Conference of Educational Associations; in connection with the latter a successsful meeting being held. The work of the Propaganda Committee is hampered by constant lack of funds, hence it is not possible to take full advantage of all the openings which offer.

Examination Committee.—The number of examination papers disposed of was 188, six less than in the previous year, and thus formed the smallest total for any year since 1918. The results of the examinations in 1924 were as follows:

Preliminary.—Certificates awarded, 47; ditto with distinction, 45; failed, 36. Total 128. Last year, 101.

Advanced.—Certificates awarded, 27; ditto with distinction, 13; failed, 20. Total, 60. Last

year 93.

A satisfactory feature of the figures for 1924 is an increase of 31 in the number of candidates who presented themselves for the elementary attendance examination. Against this there falls to be recorded a falling off in candidates for advanced certificates both in the attendance and correspondence examinations.

The Council feels that there might be a considerable increase in all classes of candidates, if officials of Groups at which teaching is given would endeavour to induce all pupils to undergo these examinations at the close of the class meetings. At present the number of Groups presenting candidates for the certificates is comparatively small.

The Council takes this opportunity of thanking examiners and the members of the Examination Committee for their work during the year, and especially the Secretary of the Committee, Mr. William Harvey, for the admirable way in which he has fulfilled his duties.

Instruction Committee.—Early in the year a Correspondence Course Committee was appointed which was reformed in June as the Instruction Committee, to deal with the Correspondence Courses and all other matters relating to the instruction of Esperanto. The B.E.A. Correspondence Courses have now completed the first year. There have been 7 Preliminary Course Students, 4 Advanced Course Students, and 3 Translation Course Students. The fees from these students amount to £24 : 13 : 6. Letters received from students show that the Courses are much appreciated, and for that a great debt of gratitude is owed to the lady and gentlemen who have acted as Tutors. Their work is no light task, and it is the care, attention and time devoted to the correction of the papers that are making these Courses such a success. It is interesting to note that among the students is a Chinese in Canton.

Mrs. Clayton has acted as Secretary from the inception of the work of the Committee, and the great measure of success and the reputation already acheived are due to her wisdom and energy.

Censor Committee.—No works requiring review by tne Committee have been published during the year.

Members and Fellows.—It is satisfactory to note that 96 new members were enrolled, and that the percentage of renewals of subscriptions was higher than for a number of years. The Council would again impress upon Members that a larger direct membership would enable many of the difficulties that the Asssociation experiences in its work to be overcome.

Groups and Federations. As usual, a few Groups have ceased to exist; but on the other hand, a gratifying revival of interest and activities has taken place in a number of centres, and new Groups have been established.

The traditions of the Federations have been well maintained, and very successful conferences have been held.

"The British Esperantist."—The reduction in size which took place at the commencement of the year has limited the gazette to its true function of an official organ. The excellent arrangement of the contents has however furnished members with an interesting and useful magazine, and every credit is due to the Secretary, Mr. Butler, for his able editorship.

"Literaturo."—The high standard of excellence set up in the first five years of the life of the magazine has been maintained under the chief Editorship of Mr. Bernard Long, who is to be congratulated on his six years' association with this quarterly.

"International Language."—The limitations of this report do not enable adequate treatment to be given to this item. The success of the magazine has throughout exceeded the most optimistic anticipations. Through its pages the influence of the Association has been carried into spheres hitherto untouched, and many valuable connections have been secured. The year's volume cantained 272 pages packed with telling facts and figures served up in attractive form. The total circulation for the year was 103,000 copies—an average circulation of 8,600 per month. 5000 posters, 500 show cards, and 1500 calendars were published, in addition to quantities of advertisement tariffs, advertising leaflets, subscription forms, etc.

Advertisements were inserted in non-Esperanto periodicals appealing to radio, scientific, educational and other circles. These advertisements, mostly quarter-page size, appeared in about 200,000 copies of such periodicals. Much would have to be written to convey an adequate idea of the scope and ramification of the propaganda done by this magazine. Articles have been reprinted in the press of all the English-speaking countries, and many translations into other tongues have been published. From one Radio Station abroad articles have been broadcast every week. Letters of appreciation have been received from all quarters of the globe, and the prospect for the future of the magazine is a bright one.

The Council desires to record here its thanks to the Hon. Editor, Mr. Edmonds, and to acknowledge valuable assistance received from Messrs. Butler, Epton, Long, Page, Shelton, and many others, and to thank all those who have brought encouragement and goodwill.

"La Juna Lernanto."—The children's magazine was published as a supplement to

International Language, and its continuance has been greatly appreciated. Best thanks are due to Mrs. Edmonds for editing.

Book Sales.—Although exchange difficulties still cut off a large foreign market, the Association occupies an enviable position as distributing house for Esperanto literature. There were sold by the Association during the year approximately 3944 copies of *The Esperanto Teacher*, 3169 copies of *First Steps in Esperanto*, 4063 copies of other textbooks, 8137 *Esperanto for all*, 9228 *Esperanto Keys*, 1744 dictionaries, and 833 badges. Some thousands of volumes of reading material were sold in addition to these.

The business done in non-Esperanto books is encouraging, and sales both of these and of Esperanto books will no doubt look up still further when the full effect of advertising in *International Language* can be secured.

Office and Staff.—Several useful additions to the equipment of the office have been made. The staff has remained the same throughout the year. Hearty thanks are due to the staff for much exceptional assistance in connection with reorganisation, and the heavy routine work entailed by the inception of the new propaganda magazine.

The Association is fortunate in the cordial relationship obtaining between the Officers and Council and the staff.

Library.—The following is a rough estimate of the number of titles of books and articles listed in the catalogue ;

0.	General	150
1.	Philosophy	300
2.	Religion	340
3.	Sociology	500
4.	Philology	870
5.	Science	600
6.	Applied Science	900
7.	Art, Sport	300
8.	Literature	1860
91.	Geography, Travel	400
92.	Biography	590
93-99	History	200
E0.	Esperanto movement	1350
E1-E9.	Esperanto language	1370
G.L.	Esperanto Periodicals	60
	TOTAL	9790

INDEX OF TITLES AND OF SUBJECTS, 8600
TOTAL OF CATALOGUE AND INDEX : 18,290 CARDS.

All the material is classified by subject, each item receiving a distinctive number by the Dewey system, and being easily available for reference. Outsize books, Leaflets, Music, Propaganda Magazines, Literary Magazines, Postcards, Pictures, are kept in separate collections, but indexed together in the common catalogue. 75 current Esperanto magazines are displayed in the Reading-room. Some 40 volumes of magazines await binding before they can be indexed and available for use. Help for this purpose would be greatly appreciated.

The Library is a Reference Library only, and books cannot under any circumstances leave the room. The great usefulness of the Library to the Editors of the Association's magazines, and others, however, can hardly be overestimated.

Mr. Butler, in his capacity of Librarian, has taken an interest in the work which is rapidly placing the Association's Library among the foremost Esperanto libraries in the world.

In Conclusion. The Association has rendered very considerable assistance in the futherance of Esperanto in Radio circles, and has co-operated to the fullest extent with the Internacia Radio Asocio. Many of the triumphs that have been achieved for Esperanto in this new sphere of social activity can be traced to the Association's efforts. Particular mention may be made of the broadcasting, by Mr. Epton, of the King's Speech at the opening of the Wembley Exhibition.

The new international organisation of the Esperanto Movement has been strengthened during the year, and the Association has been called upon to play an important part. The work of its delegates at the Geneva Conference and the Vienna Congress increased the esteem in which the Association is held by Esperantists abroad.

The Esperanto Movement to-day is regarded in a new light by the majority of thinking people. The period of experiment and proof is past, and the language of Zamenhof emerging triumphantly as a living language of a living people is accepted as a force that cannot be ignored.

A new epoch has commenced, one in which the language is taking its proper place as an instrument for use in all the activities of humanity. The new phase removes many difficulties, but brings with it new problems and different conflicting currents, and the Council urges upon friends of the movement the necessity for further support and further effort, until the day dawns at last when there shall be no fresh worlds to conquer. That day is not far distant; and secure in the faith inspired by Zamenhof's genius, the labourers in his cause may rest assured of eventual triumph.

Finally, the Council desires to record its hearty appreciation of the amount of time, unsparing energy, and earnest labour, which our Hon. Secretary, Mr. C. H. Edmonds, has given throughout the year to the interests of the Association, the advancement of the movement, and the Editorship of our new journal *International Language*. These services, being rendered without payment, add to the considerable indebtedness of all members to the Hon. Secretary for his unselfish devotion to the furtherance of the objects of the Association.

THE BRITISH ESPERANTO ASSOCIATION (INCORPORATED).

PUBLICATIONS FUND.

TRADING AND PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT, for the year ended 31st DECEMBER, 1924.

Dr.

	£	s.	d.
To Stock on Hand, 1st January, 1924	644	12	4
,, Purchases Account, being cost of production ...	329	5	3
,, Balance, carried down, Gross Profit	79	16	3
	£1,053	13	10
,, Committee Expenses		10	0
,, Interest on Loans	3	5	0
,, Balance, being Net Profit transferred to Capital Account	79	6	9
	£83	1	9

Cr.

	£	s.	d.
By Sales	285	18	4
,, Stock on Hand, 31st December, 1924, at cost ...	767	15	6
	£1,053	13	10
,, Balance, brought down, Gross Profit	79	16	3
,, Interest Received		18	0
,, Advertisements in Publications	2	7	6
	£83	1	9

BALANCE SHEET as at 31st DECEMBER, 1924.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
To Creditors :—						
Loans, Free of Interest	192	0	0			
,, Bearing 4% per annum ...	140	0	0			
,, Bearing 5% per annum ...	166	0	0			
				498	0	0
Trade Accounts				129	5	3
,, Capital Account :—						
As at 1st January, 1924	435	19	11			
Add :—Donations,1924	1	0	0			
Net Profit for year to 31st December, 1924	79	6	9			
				516	6	8
				£1,143	11	11

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
By Cash at Westminster Bank, Ltd., Bloomsbury :—						
Current Account	21	15	7			
Deposit Account	250	0	0			
				271	15	7
,, Debtor :—Trade Accounts				104	0	10
,, Stock on Hand, at Cost				767	15	6
				£1,143	11	11

GENERAL FUNDS.

REVENUE ACCOUNT, for the year ended 31st DECEMBER, 1924.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
To Salaries							802	10	0
,, Rent							163	0	0
,, *The British Esperantist* Expenses							114	9	7
,, *Literaturo* Expenses							59	3	7
,, *International Language* :—									
Expenditure on Production for 1924				531	0	2			
Preliminary Expenses & cost of Publicity	210	0	0						
Less : — Proportion chargeable to 1925 and 1926 ...	140	0	0	70	0	0			
							601	0	2
,, Postages							113	5	1
,, Printing and Stationery							87	19	6
,, Reserve for Repairs to Office Premises							15	0	0
,, Sundry Expenses							125	2	9
,, Donation to Konstanta Reprezentantaro ...							30	0	0
,, Expenses re Delegates to Geneva Conference and Vienna Congress							17	10	0
							£2,129	0	8

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
By Gross Profit on Trading Accounts	202	15	3			
Less :—Extra Depreciation of Stock specially written off ...	28	0	0			
				174	15	3
,, Subscriptions of Fellows, Members & Associates				568	16	11
,, Affiliation Fees				38	7	6
,, Donations				15	17	3
,, *Literaturo* Subscriptions, Sales and Advertisements				9	10	1
,, *International Language* :—						
Subscriptions and Sales	313	11	10			
Advertisements	255	7	10			
				568	19	8
,, Examinations (Net Income)				5	12	2
,, Correspondence Courses (Net Income)				8	8	8
,, Commission, Discount & Interest (Net Income)				6	17	10
,, Balance, being excess of Expenditure over Income for year, carried to Balance Sheet				731	15	4
				£2,129	0	8

BALANCE SHEET, as at 31st DECEMBER, 1924.

Dr.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
To Sundry Creditors—									
Deposit Accounts...				203	3	4			
Trade and other Accounts ...				1,175	7	5			
Publications Committee Trade Account				104	0	10			
Loans for Publications ...				498	0	0			
							1,980	11	7
,, Reserve for Bad and Doubtful Debts							32	5	7
,, Reserve for Repairs to Premises...							30	0	0
,, Subscriptions in Advance—									
Membership				90	1	0			
Affiliation Fees				2	7	6			
International Language ...				30	14	4			
							123	2	10
,, Special Funds—									
Capital Fund—									
50,000 Shillings Appeal	638	18	0						
Life Subscriptions	221	5	0						
				860	3	0			
Propaganda Fund				2	0	1			
Ernest Pointer (Memorial) Fund				15	18	1			
Premises Fund				165	11	8			
John Ellis Prize Fund				40	0	0			
Aneurin Williams Prize Fund ...				20	0	0			
John Pollen Prize Fund				25	3	0			
Literary Committee Fund ...				15	18	4			
							1,144	14	2
							£3,310	14	2

Cr.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
By Cash—									
At Barclay's Bank, Ltd., Bloomsbury Branch—									
Current Account				91	17	1			
Deposit Account (Trust Funds):—									
Capital Fund ...	286	11	9						
Pointer Fund ...	15	18	1						
Premises Fund	5	10	8						
Reserve for Repairs ...	30	0	0						
Aneurin Williams Prize Fund...	20	0	0						
Literary Committee Fund ...	15	18	4						
John Pollen Prize Fund	25	3	0						
				399	1	10			
In Hand				4	8	9			
							495	7	8
,, Investments at Cost (National Savings Certificates):—									
Premises Fund				160	0	0			
John Ellis Prize Fund				40	0	0			
Capital Fund				200	0	0			
							400	0	0
,, Debtors—									
General				307	3	2			
Publications Committee ...				498	0	0			
							805	3	2
,, Proportion of Preliminary Expenses and cost of Publicity of *International Language* chargeable to 1925 and 1926							140	0	0
,, Office and Library Furniture							149	10	7
,, Library							22	10	7
,, Stock on hand, as certified by Business Manager—									
Publications				657	9	0			
International Language... ...				23	19	3			
Literaturo...				8	0	8			
Propaganda Literature				32	17	11			
Office Stationery				56	0	10			
Examinations Stationery ...				16	15	9			
Correspondence Courses Stationery				27	7	2			
							822	10	7
,, Revenue Account—									
Balance as at 1st January, 1924				373	13	6			
Add Excess of Expenditure over Income for the year to 31st December, 1924				731	15	4			
				1,105	8	10			
Deduct Guarantee Fund 1923 received in 1924	110	15	6						
1923 Guarantee Supplementary Fund, received in 1924	242	13	0						
1924 Guarantee Fund received in 1924 ...	276	8	9						
				629	17	3			
							475	11	7
NOTE:—									
Guarantee Fund, 1924	582	10	6						
Less received (as above)	276	8	9						
Amount due	£306	1	9						
							£3,310	14	2

Report of Auditors to Members of the British Esperanto Association (Incorporated).

We have audited the above Balance Sheet, dated 31st December, 1924, together with the annexed Balance Sheet of the Publications Fund, of the same date.

We have obtained all the information and explanations we have required. In our opinion, these Balance Sheets are properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the affairs of the Association, according to the best of our information and the explanations given us, and as shown by the books of the Association.

95a, Chancery Lane,
London, W.C.2.
25th February, 1925.

(Signed) Fitzpatrick, Graham & Co., Chartered Accountants, } Auditors.

GROUPS AND SOCIETIES AFFILIATED TO THE B.E.A.

Order of Information.—Group; Secretary; Place of Meeting, Day, and Hour.

Aberdeen.—Miss M. D. Thomson, 6 Orchard Lane.—The Training Centre, St. Andrew-st., 2nd and 4th Fri., 8.

Accrington.—J. Parkinson, 55 Pickup-st., Clayton-le-Moors—Rechabites Hall, Abbey-st. Tues., 7.30.

Addlestone (Surrey—Mrs. C. M. Bayliss, Ashlet Home School, Addlestone.

Adelaide S. Australia.—W. L. Waterman, 26 Henley-st., Torrensville, 1st and 3rd Mon., 84 Jerringham-st.

Ashton-under-Lyne.—F. Carter, 6 Wilkinson-st.—P.S.A. Inst., Wed., 8.

Baildon.—J. Dwyer, 1 East Parade.

Bath.—Miss E. B. Read, 3 Spencer's Belle Vue —Bernina Cafe, Old Bond-st., alt. Wed., 7.30.

Belfast.—F. R. Nolan, 622 Donegall Road, —109 Upper Donegall-st., Mon., 7.30.

Bexhill-on-Sea.—Miss Ena Taylor, Enalea, Wickham Avenue,—1st and 3rd Fridays, 5—6. Beginners' Class: Thur., 5.30—6.30. Apply Secretary.

Birmingham.—Mrs. Derry, 2 Mayfield Rd., Acocks Green.—Y.M.C.A. (2nd floor), Dale End, Wed., 6.30—9.30.

Blackburn.—Miss M. V. Hewetson, 4 St. Alban's Place.—Friends' Meeting Ho., King-st., Wed., 7.45.

Blackpool.—C. L. Firth, 27 Orchard Avenue, South Shore.—Beehive Café, Victoria-st., Tues., 7.30.

Bournemouth.—Miss M. Cheesman, 21 Sea Rd., Boscombe.,—Temperance Hall, Haviland Rd., Boscombe, 2nd Tues., 8.0.

Bradford.—Geo. Luscombe, 34 Parsonage Rd., W. Bowling.—Forster School, Drewton-st., Wed. 7.30.

Brighton & Hove.—Ad. Dorlencourt, 12 College Gardens.—Royal Pavilion, Tues., 7.15—9.30.

Bristol.—J. C. Fox, 35 Stackpool Rd., Southville.—Folk House, College Green, Fri. 7-9.30.

Buckhurst Hill (Essex).—Miss N. A. Stacy, "Woodthorpe"—"Woodthorpe," 1st Wed. 8.0

Burnley.—D. B. Shaw, 35 Ferndale-st.—2B, Clifton-st., Westgate, open daily.

Burntisland.—E. Anderson, H.G. Public School, Burntisland.—Burntisland H.G School, Thurs., 7.30.

Cardiff.—F. S. Gammon, 14 Moira Place.—19 Paget-st., Tues., 8.0.

Cheltenham.—W. M. Appleby, Clarence-st., —Adult School Room, Portland-st., Thurs., 7—9.15. Class: Co-operative Hall, High-st., Fri., 7.30.

Coatbridge.—J. Montgomery, 77 Chapel-st., Airdrie —Y.M.C.A. Institute, Wed., 7.30.

Croydon.—R. K. Hurgon, 32 Friends Rd.—Dennett Hall, Dennett Rd., Croydon,—1st and 3rd Tues., 7.30.

Deal.—H. Sewell, College Rd. Printing Works.

Doncaster.—Mrs. E. M. Moran, 38 Oswin Avenue, Balby.—Trades Institute, North Bridge Rd., Wed., 7.30.

Dover.—W. Chitty, Mildura, 51 Park Avenue.

Dundee.—Alfred A. Slidders, 10 Whitehall-st.

Eastbourne.—V. V. Sumfield, Esperanto Printery, Station-st.—Cave's Cafe, 94 Terminus Rd., 1st and 3rd Tues., 4.30.

Edinburgh.—J. P. W. Murray, 9 Glendevon Place.—29 Synod Hall, Wed., 8.30.

Enfield.—Miss M. Rose, Shrublands, 349 Baker-st.—Same address, Sat., 6.30—8.0.

Exeter.—F. J. Strong, 50 Wellington Rd., St. Thomas.

Farnley Tyas.—J. Green, New Lane Tsrrace, —The Vicarage, Wed., 7.30—9.

Folkestone.—J. Smith Clough, 62 Guildhall-st.

Gateshead-on-Tyne.—Geo. M.Raine, 27 Patterdale Terrace.—Unity Church, Tues., 7.30.

Gillingham.—H. C. Johnson, 43, Byron Rd. 2nd Mon., Co-operative Library.

Glasgow.—Miss A. G. Dougal, 60 Albert Drive, Queen's Park.—168 Bath-st., Mon., (October-April), Classes 7.30, Meeting 8.30: April-September, Cranston's Arcade Tea-rooms, 28 Buchanan-st., Mon., 5.30-7 p.m. Rambling Club, 1st Sat. each month.

Partick.—T. Colquhoun, 124 Dumbarton Rd., —Western Institute, Academy Buildings, Peel-st., Tues., 7.30.

Partick Y.M.C.A.—D. Conkie, 14 Hutton Drive, So. Govan.—Western Institute, Peel-st., Thurs. 7.30. Diservo: 2nd Sunday (November-June) 7.

St. Rollox Co-operative.—S. Gibson, 82 Black-st., Townhead, Glasgow.—145 Glebe-st., Wed., 7.30-10.

Greenock.—Wm. McMurren, 3 Ford Place, Finnart-st.—Musical Club Bldgs.,36 Union-st., Wed., 8.

Grimsby.—A. Battye, 122 Castle-st., Grimsby, Lincs.

Halstead (Essex).—Miss Zoe Inman, 6 Colchester Rd.

Harrogate.—O. Eaves, Station Parade.

Hastings.—J. Turner, 57 Priory Avenue.—54 Cambridge Rd., 1st and 3rd Tues., 7.30.

Hatfield, Herts.—Miss E. F. Forty, Greybole, 1st and 3rd Tues.

Hobart (Tasmania).—Miss Beckett, 177 Davey-st.—Eaton Bray Schoolroom, UpperDavey-st., Alternate Fridays. 7.30—9.

Huddersfield.—Miss C. M. E. Morton, 49 Mount Pleasant-st., Dalton, — Technical College Queen-st. South, Thurs., 7.45.

Hull.—F. W. Coulson, 18 May-st.

Keighley.—Miss J. Longstaffe, 9 Dalton Terrace, Bradford Road.—Friend's Meeting House, Mon., 7.30—9.30.

Kettering.—A. E. Smith, Garfield-st.—Old Free Library Buildings, Silver-st.

Kingston-on-Thames.—Miss Jones, 17 Knights Park.

Leeds.—Miss L. Briggs, West Lea, Armley.—Outlook Club, Greek-st., Fri., 7.30.

Leigh-on-sea.—Miss E. Vickery, 35 Marine Avenue.—At members' houses, alternate Weds. and Fris.

Leith.—Miss Milne, 70 Cornhill Terrace.—Wilson's Hall, Hope-st., Tues., 8.30.

Letchworth.—Miss F. M. Bartholomew, 132 Wilbury Rd.

Liverpool.—Miss A. M. Swan, 40 Karslake Rd., Sefton Park.—18 Colquitt-st., Room 7, Fri., 7—9.30.

London (Central).—H. Boll, Trelawney Mansions, 5 Stuart Crescent, N. 22.—St. Bride's Inst., Ludgate Circus, E.C. 4., Fri., 7.

London (South).—K. R. Sturmer, 40 Glebe Place, S.W. 3.—49 Lavender Hill, S.W. 11. Group: 1st and 3rd Thurs., 8.30. Elem. Class: Every Thurs., 7.30.

Balham.—Miss A. L. Borel, 20 Badminton Rd., S.W. 12.—Balham Educational Settlement, 47 Ramsden Rd. S.W. 12, Thurs., 7.30—9.30. Tues., 2.30—4.

Bethnal Green.—N. Abramson, 580 Old Ford Rd., Bow, E. 3.—Wolverley-st Men's Institute, E.2. Mon., 7.30—9.30.

"Charing Cross"—Mrs. Farmer, 15 Queen Elizabeth's Walk, Stoke Newington, N. 16.—Same address, 1st Wed., 3.

Dimanĉa Rondo.—S.J.Smith, 79 Listria Park, N. 16.—12 South Place, E.C. 2, Sun., 3.30—6.

Diservo.—2nd Sunday, 3.15, St. George's Church, Hart-st., Bloomsbury, W.C. 1.

London Esperanto Scout Club.—G.Atkinson 97 Lenthall Rd., E. 8.

Sydenham.—H. Kear, 21 Anerley Park, S.E. 20. Apply Sec.

Wood Green.—A. H. Wortman, 11 The Avenue, Hornsey, N. 8.—Wood Green Central Library, Thurs., 7.30—9.30.

See also **Croydon, Enfield, Hatfield, Kingston, Welwyn.**

Loughborough.—G. M. Williams, 19 Ward's End.—Victoria-st. Free Church, Tues., 7.

Luton.—W. A. Gething, 25 Durbar Rd.—Church-st. Adult School, Thurs., 8—9.30.

Maidstone.—J. Hale, 136 Wheeler-st.—Dockrill's Restaurant.

Manchester.—Mrs. L. E. Doran, 62 Talbot Rd., Old Trafford.—Milton Hall, 244 Deansgate, Thurs., 7.30.

Manchester Y. M. C. A.—Arthur Hill,—Y.M.C.A.—Mon., 8.15.

Waterfoot.—H. Whittaker, 526 Bacup Rd., Waterfoot, Manchester.—Council School, Thurs., 7.30.

Mont Albert (Vic.), Australia.—Miss K. B. Blyth, c/o Miss E. A. Sinnotte, 21 Wolseley-st., Wed.

Nelson.—R. W. Roberts, 26 Garden-st., Thurs., 8.30—9.30.

Newcastle-on-Tyne.—Geo. Shepherd, 166 Hotspur.st., Heaton.—Church Institute, Hood-st., Tues., Elem. and Intermediate Classes, 7—8, Adv. Class, Parolrondo, 8.15—9.30.

Nottingham.—H. O. Schofield, 57 Caledon Rd.

Perth, Australia (Nigra Cigno).—Miss F. Cherrett, 46 Leonard-st., Victoria Park.—9 Pier-st., Thurs. even.

Plymouth (Tri Urboj).—E. Martyr, 93 Beaumont-st., Stoke.

Portsmouth.—E. Long, 117 Leesland Road, Gosport.—2 Garnier-st., Elementary, Tues., 7.30 p.m.; Advanced, Fri., 8 p.m.

Rochdale.—Miss Maynard, 69 Peel-st.

St. Helens (Lancs.).—A. Barton, 135 Stanhope-st.—Broadway Café, Church-st., Mon., 7.45.

Sheffield.—Mrs. E. Bateman, 15 Edge Hill Rd., Nether Edge.—Business Exchange, Cross Burgess-st., alt. Fri., 8. **Woodseats Branch.** —632 Chesterfield Rd., Tues., 7.30.

Shipley.—Miss M. E. Parker, 25 Wellington Cresent.

Sidcup.—Miss H. G. M. Clarke, 34 Birkbeck Rd.

Southport.—Miss M. Walls, 25 Derby Rd.—Write Secretary.

Spen Valley.—H. Brooke, Westcroft, Birkenshaw, Nr. Bradford.—Museum, Leeds Rd., Millbridge, Wed.

Stoke-upon-Trent.—J. S. Miller, 14 Meakin Avenue, Stone.—Church Institute, Church-st. Thurs., 7.30—9.30.

Tonbridge.—Rev. W. J. Downes, The Manse, The Drive. — Congregational Schoolroom, Wed., 7.45—9.15.

Torquay.—Mrs. E. W. Wood, "Hobury," 2 Upton Vale Terrace.

Welwyn Garden City.—Sec., 34 Guessens Road.—21 Russelcroft Rd., Wed., 8.

Whitchurch.—Miss Furber, Sedge Ford.—Working Mens' Hall, Thurs., 6—8.

Wisbech.—Miss E. Miller, Wistaria Ho.—The Institute, Tues., 7.30.

York.—W. F. Lawrence, 6 Dodgson Terrace, Acomb.—The Settlement, St. Mary's, Fri., 7.30

FEDERATIONS.

Lancashire and Cheshire,—C. J. Jones, 71 Harris-st., St. Helens.

Midland.—C. C. Goldsmith, 31 Stafford Rd., Handsworth, Birmingham.

North-Eastern.—T. Swinburne, 3 James Terrace, Wallsend.

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South-Eastern.—B. E. Long, 21 Gt. Russell-st., London, W.C. 1.

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